

Council on Postsecondary Education
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Report on Fall 2006 Estimated Enrollment

Fall 2006 enrollments, at all levels, are predicted to continue the increases that began with reform in 1998.

Highlights include:

- A record high 239,445 students enrolled at public and independent postsecondary institutions in Kentucky.
- This is an increase of 3,897 students or 1.7 percent over 2005 enrollment.
- Public institutions alone enrolled 207,498 students.
- At the undergraduate level, Kentucky State University increased enrollment by 5.0 percent, Northern Kentucky University increased by 4.8 percent, the University of Kentucky increased by 3.4 percent, and KCTCS increased by 2.8 percent over fall 2005.
- Eastern Kentucky University's undergraduate enrollment dropped by 2.3 percent and Morehead State University dropped by 2.0 percent compared to last year.

Estimated enrollment growth since 1998:

- Since 1998, total postsecondary education enrollment increased by 54,599 students or 29.5 percent.
- Undergraduate enrollment increased 49,320 students or 30.6 percent.
- The KCTCS showed the largest increase with 35,639 more students. This is an increase of 69.0 percent since 1998.
- Graduate student enrollment growth continued. The fall 2006 estimate reflects a 14.5 percent, or 2,538, increase over fall 1998 for public institutions. Independent institutions increased 105.9 percent, or 2,049 graduate students since fall 1998.

Official data will be reported in January. Estimates in prior years have varied from actual enrollments by small amounts. National enrollment data are not yet available for comparison.

The attached table provides enrollment information, including change statistics, for each public institution.

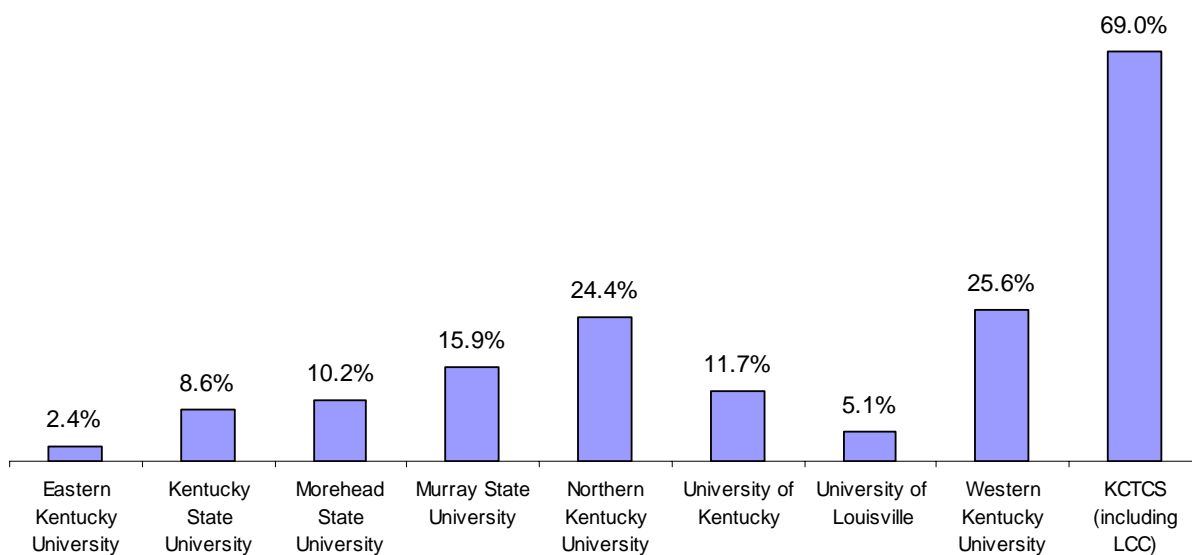
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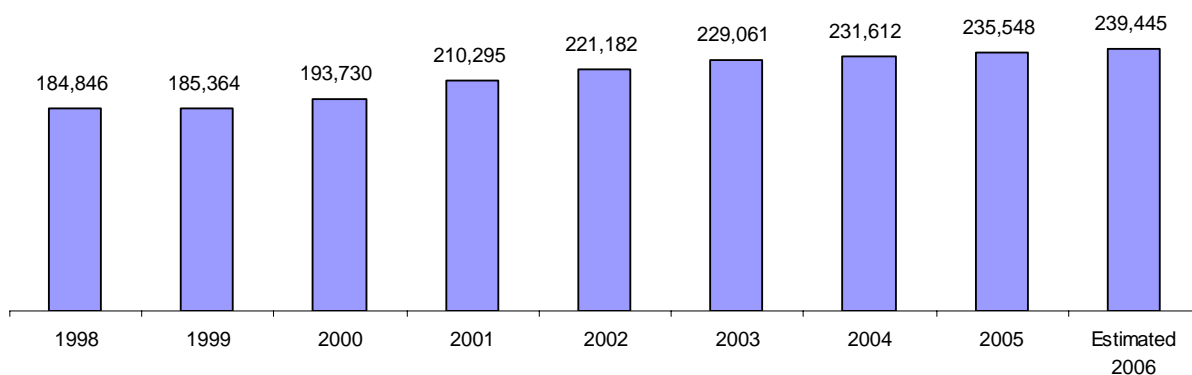


1998 Enrollment: 184,846
2006 Estimated Enrollment: 239,445
8-Yr Percent Increase: 29.5%

8-Year Total Headcount Enrollment Increase, Public Postsecondary Education Institutions



Total Enrollment Increase in Kentucky Postsecondary Education



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Source: Council on Postsecondary Education Comprehensive Data Base

Kentucky Postsecondary Estimated Enrollment^a
Fall 2006

Institution	1998 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Estimated	1-Yr Change		8-Yr Change	
				N	%	N	%
Undergraduate							
Eastern Kentucky University	13,480	13,942	13,625	(317)	-2.3%	145	1.1%
Kentucky State University	2,205	2,228	2,340	112	5.0%	135	6.1%
Morehead State University	6,743	7,549	7,401	(148)	-2.0%	658	9.8%
Murray State University	7,349	8,585	8,600	15	0.2%	1,251	17.0%
Northern Kentucky University	10,643	12,107	12,689	582	4.8%	2,046	19.2%
University of Kentucky	17,157	18,732	19,365	633	3.4%	2,208	12.9%
University of Louisville	14,647	15,057	15,173	116	0.8%	526	3.6%
Western Kentucky University	12,713	15,978	16,106	128	0.8%	3,393	26.7%
Total Universities	84,937	94,178	95,299	1,121	1.2%	10,362	12.2%
KCTCS (including LCC)	51,647	84,931	87,286	2,355	2.8%	35,639	69.0%
Total Public	136,584	179,109	182,585	3,476	1.9%	46,001	33.7%
Independent Institutions	24,342	27,685	27,661	(24)	-0.1%	3,319	13.6%
Total Undergraduate	160,926	206,794	210,246	3,452	1.7%	49,320	30.6%
Graduate							
Eastern Kentucky University	1,922	2,277	2,150	(127)	-5.6%	228	11.9%
Kentucky State University	98	158	160	2	1.3%	62	63.3%
Morehead State University	1,520	1,513	1,701	188	12.4%	181	11.9%
Murray State University	1,554	1,689	1,720	31	1.8%	166	10.7%
Northern Kentucky University	764	1,335	1,463	128	9.6%	699	91.5%
University of Kentucky	5,142	5,485	5,570	85	1.5%	428	8.3%
University of Louisville	4,293	4,667	4,657	(10)	-0.2%	364	8.5%
Western Kentucky University	2,169	2,667	2,579	(88)	-3.3%	410	18.9%
Total Universities	17,462	19,791	20,000	209	1.1%	2,538	14.5%
Independent Institutions	1,934	3,837	3,983	146	3.8%	2,049	105.9%
Total Graduate	19,396	23,628	23,983	355	1.5%	4,587	23.6%
First Professional							
Northern Kentucky University	392	583	524	(59)	-10.1%	132	33.7%
University of Kentucky	1,410	1,485	1,510	25	1.7%	100	7.1%
University of Louisville	1,269	1,329	1,338	9	0.7%	69	5.4%
Total Universities	3,071	3,397	3,372	(25)	-0.7%	301	9.8%
Independent Institutions	120	285	303	18	6.3%	183	152.5%
Total First Professional	3,191	3,682	3,675	(7)	-0.2%	484	15.2%
Post-Graduate^b							
University of Kentucky	685	737	795	58	7.9%	110	16.1%
University of Louisville	648	707	746	39	5.5%	98	15.1%
Total Universities	1,333	1,444	1,541	97	6.7%	208	15.6%
Total Headcount							
Eastern Kentucky University	15,402	16,219	15,775	(444)	-2.7%	373	2.4%
Kentucky State University	2,303	2,386	2,500	114	4.8%	197	8.6%
Morehead State University	8,263	9,062	9,102	40	0.4%	839	10.2%
Murray State University	8,903	10,274	10,320	46	0.4%	1,417	15.9%
Northern Kentucky University	11,799	14,025	14,676	651	4.6%	2,877	24.4%
University of Kentucky	24,394	26,439	27,240	801	3.0%	2,846	11.7%
University of Louisville	20,857	21,760	21,914	154	0.7%	1,057	5.1%
Western Kentucky University	14,882	18,645	18,685	40	0.2%	3,803	25.6%
Total Universities	106,803	118,810	120,212	1,402	1.2%	13,409	12.6%
KCTCS (including LCC)	51,647	84,931	87,286	2,355	2.8%	35,639	69.0%
Public	158,450	203,741	207,498	3,757	1.8%	49,048	31.0%
Independent Institutions	26,396	31,807	31,947	140	0.4%	5,551	21.0%
Total Enrollment	184,846	235,548	239,445	3,897	1.7%	54,599	29.5%

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Source: Council on Postsecondary Education Comprehensive Data Base.

^aFinal fall enrollments will be available January 2007. Recent estimates have varied from actual enrollments by + or - 2%.

^bPost-graduate includes post-doctoral students and medical school residents and interns (house staff).